

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-18 (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A linen treatment device, comprising:
an arrangement for determining the imbalance of the device;
said arrangement including at least one sensor and a lever device, said at least one sensor coupled to an element of said linen treatment device by said lever device, said at least one sensor ~~for~~ measuring the temperature profile of a heating device built into said sensor; and
said temperature profile being altered by the acceleration caused by an imbalance of said device.

20. (Currently Amended) The linen treatment device according to claim 19, ~~including~~ wherein said element is a soapy water container, wherein ~~and~~ said sensor is coupled to said soapy water container by said lever device.

21. (Currently Amended) The linen treatment device according to claim 20, ~~including a~~ wherein said lever device is connected to said soapy water container ~~and said sensor coupled to said lever device~~.

22. (Withdrawn) The linen treatment device according to claim 20, including a damper arranged in one of a holder or a foot of said device which suppresses vibrations of said soapy water container and said sensor coupled to said damper.

23. (Withdrawn) The linen treatment device according to claim 19, including an upper outer surface on said device and said sensor arranged below said upper outer surface.

24. (Withdrawn) The linen treatment device according to claim 23, including said sensor arranged to be visible to a user of said device.

25. (Withdrawn) The linen treatment device according to claim 23, including a display device coupled to said sensor to display the value measured by said sensor.

26. (Currently Amended) The linen treatment device according to claim 21, ~~including further comprising~~ a measuring device to determine the mass from the value measured by said sensor.

27. (Currently Amended) The linen treatment device according to claim 26, ~~including further comprising~~ a display device coupled to said measuring device to display the mass of linen added to said device.

28. (Currently Amended) The linen treatment device according to claim 27, ~~including wherein said display device to emit~~ emits a warning signal when the mass measured exceeds a predetermined overload value.

29. (Currently Amended) A household device, comprising:
at least one sensor for measuring the temperature profile of a heating device built into said sensor;
a lever device, said at least one sensor coupled to a container of said household device by said lever device; and
said temperature profile being altered by the location of the household device relative to the direction of the vector of the acceleration due to gravity.

30. (Withdrawn) The household device according to claim 29, including four of said sensors respectively connected to the corners of said household device.

31. (Withdrawn) The household device according to claim 30, including at least one of an optical or acoustic display device is coupled to said sensors, said optical or acoustic display device located in one of said household device or remotely therefrom coupled to said household device via a network via one of electrical leads or by radio to provide information to a user about the adjustment of said household device.

32. (Withdrawn) The household device according to claim 30, including a plurality of servo motors which are controlled to adjust the height of said household device in accordance with the values measured by said sensors.

33. (Withdrawn) The household device according to claim 30, including one of a pneumatic or a hydraulic line controlled to adjust the height of said household device in accordance with the values measured by said sensors.

Claims 34-36 (Canceled)

37. (New) The linen treatment device according to claim 19, wherein said lever device includes a first lever arm coupled to said linen treatment device and a fulcrum, a second lever arm coupled to said fulcrum and a hinge joint, and a rail coupled to said hinge joint, said at least one sensor mounted to said rail.

38. (New) The linen treatment device according to claim 37, wherein said second lever arm is pivotable about said fulcrum.

39. (New) The linen treatment device according to claim 37, wherein said first lever arm is parallel to a rotational axis of said linen treatment device.

40. (New) The linen treatment device according to claim 19, wherein said lever device converts rotational movement of said linen treatment device to translational movement at said sensor.